

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re U.S. Patent Application of** )  
Uematsu *et al.* )  
**Application Number: To be assigned** )  
**Filed: Concurrently Herewith** )  
**For: PCR PRIMERS AND DECISION METHOD FOR BASE** )  
**SEQUENCE THEREOF** )

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**Honorable Assistant Commissioner  
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Washington, D.C. 20231**

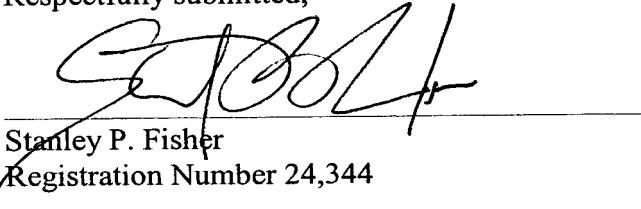
**REQUEST FOR PRIORITY  
UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 119  
AND THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION**

Sir:

In the matter of the above-captioned application for a United States patent, notice is hereby given that the Applicant claims the priority date of November 27, 2001, the filing date of the corresponding Japanese patent application 2001-360321

The certified copy of corresponding Japanese patent application 2001-360321 will be submitted as soon as received from Applicant. Acknowledgment of receipt of the certified copy is respectfully requested in due course.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the Utility patent application of:

INVENTOR:	Chihiro UEMATSU, Kazunori OKANO and Takashi IRIE
FOR:	PCR PRIMERS AND DECISION METHOD FOR BASE SEQUENCE THEREOF

Enclosed are:

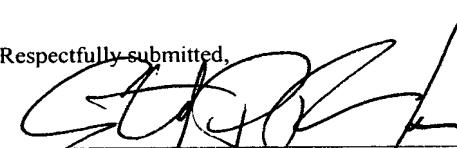
- 14 sheets of  formal  informal drawings.
- A Notice of Priority to claim priority date of November 27, 2001.
- An assignment of the invention to Hitachi, Ltd.
- An Information Disclosure Statement with PTO Form 1449
- An Executed Declaration

- The filing fee is calculated as shown below:

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